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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed from the Office on October 4, 2006, for the above-identified patent application. Applicants enclose a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extending the deadline for response by one month up to and including February 5, 2007 (because February 4, 2007, is a Sunday). In addition, Applicants enclose an Information Disclosure Statement and a check in the amount of \$300 to cover the fees for a one-month extension of time and submission of an Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicants believe that no other fees are due for this Amendment and Response to be entered and considered. However, please consider this a conditional authorization to charge any additional fees necessary for entry of this paper to Deposit Account No. 07-1700. Please make the following amendments, without prejudice, and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.